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### **RESIDENT OF MANCHESTER PLEADS GUILTY TO BANK FRAUD**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** -- United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and Kenneth W. Kaisier, the Special Agent in Charge of the Boston Field Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, announced today that John Doherty, a resident of 510 Havey St. in Manchester, New Hampshire, has pleaded guilty to bank fraud.

During a hearing in U.S. District Court earlier today, Doherty admitted that in April 2005, he cashed twenty-seven checks made payable to him, totaling approximately \$154,200, at branch offices of the Bank America in New Hampshire, knowing he was not entitled to receive proceeds from the checks because the checks were counterfeit.

When he is sentenced by United States District Court Judge Joseph DiClerico next March, Doherty, age 30, could receive a prison term of up to 30 years. He could also be fined up to \$1,000,000.

Following today's court hearing, United States Attorney Colantuono repeated his commitment to protect federally insured banks and customers of the banks by aggressively prosecuting people that steal money from them.

The case was investigated by the Federal bureau of Investigation and prosecuted by Deputy Criminal Chief Robert Kinsella.